

## **IN THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims below will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

### **Listing of Claims:**

1. (original): A method for diagnosing cancer, which comprises detecting a soluble GPC3 protein in a test sample.
2. (original): The method for diagnosing cancer of claim 1, wherein the soluble GPC3 protein is a N-terminal peptide of GPC3.
3. (original): The method for diagnosing cancer of claim 2, wherein the N-terminal peptide of GPC3 is a peptide fragment contained in an amino acid sequence of GPC3 consisting of the 1st amino acid to the 374th amino acid, or an amino acid sequence of GPC3 consisting of the 1st amino acid to the 358th amino acid.
4. (previously presented): The diagnosis method of claim 1, wherein the test sample is selected from the group consisting of blood, serum and plasma.
5. (previously presented): The diagnosis method of claim 1, wherein the cancer is hepatic cancer.
6. (previously presented): The method of claim 1, comprising using an anti-GPC3 antibody.
7. (original): The method of claim 6, comprising using an anti-GPC3 antibody immobilized on a carrier and an anti-GPC3 antibody labeled with a labeling substances.
8. (original): The method of claim 7, wherein the labeling substances are biotin.

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15. (previously presented): The diagnosis method of claim 3, wherein the test sample is selected from the group consisting of blood, serum and plasma.

16. (previously presented): The diagnosis method of claim 3, wherein the cancer is hepatic cancer.

17. (previously presented): The diagnosis method of claim 4, wherein the cancer is hepatic cancer.

18. (previously presented): The method of claim 3, comprising using an anti-GPC3 antibody.

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